

## 75-90 CREDITS *GET READY* to transfer!

### 1. Keep up with deadlines:

Meet final application deadlines, and look for deadlines regarding:

- Confirming admission
- Tuition deposits
- Housing requests
- Financial Aid
- Submitting proof of immunizations

**Late applications or responses are not accepted!**

**Remember! Apply for graduation to earn your Associate degree.**

Apply for graduation in ctLink at the beginning of your final quarter at North. Reach out to your advisor with any questions.

[northseattle.edu/graduation](https://northseattle.edu/graduation)

### 2. Transfer your final credits and register for classes:

- Send official transcripts after your final quarter. This second official transcript will transfer the final credits you completed and show that you earned your transfer degree.
- Attend orientation at your new college. **Tip:** Choose the earliest date possible, as you will register for classes at orientation.
- Connect with helpful offices at your new school, such as Disability Services, Veteran's Affairs or a Transfer Welcome Center. Look for housing and work on your new campus.



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<https://northseattle.edu/programs/college-transfer/transfer-timeline> NJ 12/18/2024

# Transfer Planning Timeline

A step-by-step guide to help you transfer to a university successfully



## 0-18 CREDITS

**EXPLORE** majors and careers and **CHOOSE** a transfer degree

### 1. Explore majors and careers:

- Check out NSC Counseling for workshops, HDC classes, one-on-one help and web resources: [northseattle.edu/counseling](https://northseattle.edu/counseling).
- Visit the Career Services office or use their online resources: [northseattle.edu/career-services](https://northseattle.edu/career-services).
- Research career and education information using WOIS at [wa.cis360.org](https://wa.cis360.org). (Ask an advisor for the log in credentials.)
- Look up other websites: [explorehealthcareers.org](https://explorehealthcareers.org) or [myplan.com/majors/](https://myplan.com/majors/).

### 2. Choose a 90-credit transfer degree that fits

**your major:** Associate of Arts (AA-DTA), Associate in Business (AB-DTA), Associate in Computer Science (AS CSC-DTA), Associate of Fine Arts (AFA), Associate of Science General (AS-DTA), Associate of Science Track 1 (AS-T 1) or Associate of Science Track 2 (AS-T 2)

**Degree worksheets:** [bit.ly/NSCTransferDegrees](https://bit.ly/NSCTransferDegrees)

**Program pathway maps for common majors:**

[bit.ly/NSCProgramPathways](https://bit.ly/NSCProgramPathways)

**FIND MORE HELP ONLINE**



[bit.ly/NSCTransferWeb](https://bit.ly/NSCTransferWeb)



[bit.ly/TransferCanvasNSC](https://bit.ly/TransferCanvasNSC)

## 0-18 CREDITS CHOOSE and EXPLORE continued

### 3. Get some experience:

- Volunteer, intern, or talk with people who work in fields of interest at [volunteermatch.org](http://volunteermatch.org) or [seattlecolleges.edu/handshake](http://seattlecolleges.edu/handshake).
- Join related clubs: [northseattle.edu/student-leadership-engagement](http://northseattle.edu/student-leadership-engagement).

### 4. Research potential four-year colleges and universities:

- Attend transfer events listed at [bit.ly/transfercalendar](http://bit.ly/transfercalendar). Ask questions about majors, campus culture and scholarships.
- Use college search websites such as [bigfuture.collegeboard.org](http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org) or [campustours.com](http://campustours.com).

## 19-44 CREDITS PLAN for your future

### 1. Get to know four-year schools better:

- Connect with four-year college advisors. Attend info sessions and events like UW Transfer Thursday: [transfer.uw.edu/thursday](http://transfer.uw.edu/thursday).
- Learn major and admission requirements from four-year college websites: [bit.ly/ListofUniversities](http://bit.ly/ListofUniversities).
- Start your list of preferred schools. Have a backup plan if not admitted to your first choice. Note specific application processes and deadlines for your schools and major.

- 2. Make an Education Plan (ed plan):** Meet with your advisor and make a plan to complete your degree and prepare for your major. Schedule an appointment: [northseattle.edu/advising/see-an-advisor](http://northseattle.edu/advising/see-an-advisor). Learn more about ed plans: [bit.ly/CreateYourEdPlan](http://bit.ly/CreateYourEdPlan).

### Why Earn a DTA Degree?

For most Washington state four-year colleges and universities, an AA-, AB- or AS-DTA degree will transfer as a package, and **may**

- fulfill most of the university's lower division general education coursework.
- grant junior standing (depending on major entry requirements).
- give students priority application review status.
- qualify students for special scholarships or application fee waivers.
- allow transfer of up to 15 credits of "normally non-transferable" coursework such as vocational or professional/technical classes.

**Please note,** completion of an Associate degree does not guarantee admission to a four-year college or university. Each institution has specific admission requirements (i.e. GPA, residency, core requirements).

## KEEP FINANCES IN MIND

- Update your FAFSA or WASFA after October 1st** of the year *before* you plan to transfer, and by your school's priority Financial Aid deadline. List all the schools to which you will be applying. Websites: [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov), <https://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa>
- Seek out scholarships**, particularly for schools and majors where you will apply. Other places to look include [www.washboard.org](http://www.washboard.org) and [northseattle.edu/scholarships](http://northseattle.edu/scholarships). If recommendation letters or forms are needed, ask recommenders one to two months before the deadline.



## 45-74 CREDITS APPLY to your chosen schools

- 1. Stay on track with your Education Plan:** Make an appointment with your advisor to check that you will graduate when planned, and that all prerequisites for your major are included in your plan.
- 2. Begin your four-year college applications:**
  - Start the application process for each school, becoming familiar with the online forms and supporting information needed. Request letters of recommendation if needed, giving at least one month's notice.
  - Begin your personal statement and short question answers for each application. Attend a personal statement workshop and request help reviewing your draft from The Page One Writing & Language Center: [northseattle.edu/tutoring](http://northseattle.edu/tutoring).
  - Request official transcripts from **all** colleges attended, and high school transcripts and test scores if needed. Order North transcripts at [northseattle.edu/transcripts](http://northseattle.edu/transcripts).
  - Ask about possible application fee waivers. Some colleges grant waivers just for earning a transfer degree, others have a petition process.
  - Please note:** International and Running Start students may have different deadlines and application processes.